TABLE 1-6. COMPARISON OF PERCENT OF BIRTHS WITH SELECTED DEMOGRAPHIC AND MEDICAL CHARACTERISTICS, CALIFORNIA [†] AND UNITED STATES, 1990-2002 (By Place of Residence)

YEAR	PERCENTAGE OF DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS										
	Mother Under 20 Years of Age United		Mother Completed 12 Years or More of School United		Mother Born in the United States United						
							Unmarried Mother ¹		4th and Higher Birth Order		
							United		United		
	California	States	California	States	California	States	California	States	California	States	
2002	9.6	10.8	71.2	78.5	53.5	76.7	33.0	34.0	12.1	10.8	
2001	10.2	11.3	70.3	78.3	53.7	77.5	32.7	33.5	12.3	10.8	
2000	10.6	11.8	70.2	78.3	54.3	78.6	32.7	33.2	12.2	10.6	
1999	11.1	12.3	69.6	78.3	55.4	79.8	32.9	33.0	12.4	10.5	
1998	11.4	12.5	69.0	78.1	56.0	80.5	32.8	32.8	12.8	10.5	
1997	11.7	12.7	67.8	77.9	55.1	80.7	33.0	32.4	12.9	10.5	
1996	12.0	12.9	66.5	77.6	54.7	80.8	31.4	32.4	13.1	10.4	
1995	12.4	13.1	66.0	77.4	55.5	81.5	32.1	32.2	13.1	10.3	
1994	12.3	13.1	65.2	77.1	55.5	81.5	35.6	32.6	13.2	10.5	
1993	12.0	12.8	65.0	76.7	55.2	82.4	35.1	31.0	13.4	10.7	
1992	11.8	12.7	64.6	76.4	55.6	83.0	34.2	30.1	13.4	10.8	
1991	11.8	12.9	64.9	75.7	57.1	83.5	33.3	29.5	13.1	10.7	
1990	11.6	12.8	66.0	76.1	59.1	84.3	31.4	28.1	12.8	10.5	

PERCENTAGE OF MEDICAL CHARACTERISTICS										
		Preterm Birth ³		Cesarean Births		Low Birthweight ⁴				
California	United States	California	United States	California	United States	California	United States			
2.6	3.6	10.5	12.1	26.8	26.1	6.4	7.8			
2.9 3.1	3.7 3.9	10.4 10.4	11.9 11.6	25.1 23.4	24.4 22.9	6.3 6.2	7.7 7.6			
3.2	3.8	10.5	11.8	22.7	22.0	6.1	7.6			
3.6 3.7		10.6 10.4	11.6 11.4	21.7 21.0	21.2 20.8	6.2 6.1	7.6 7.5			
3.8 4.6	4.0 4.2	10.3 10.3	11.0 11.0	20.6 20.6	20.7 20.8	6.1 6.1	7.4 7.3			
4.9	4.4	10.2	11.0	20.8	21.2	6.2	7.3			
5.0 5.3	4.8 5.2	10.2 10.0	11.0 10.7	21.3 21.6	21.8 22.3	6.0 5.9	7.2 7.1			
6.3 7.0	5.8 6.1	10.0 10.0	10.8 10.6	22.3 22.3	22.6 22.7	5.8 5.8	7.1 7.0			
	Prenata California 2.6 2.9 3.1 3.2 3.6 3.7 3.8 4.6 4.9 5.0 5.3 6.3	California States 2.6 3.6 2.9 3.7 3.1 3.9 3.2 3.8 3.6 3.9 3.7 3.9 3.8 4.0 4.6 4.2 4.9 4.4 5.0 4.8 5.3 5.2 6.3 5.8	Late or No Pret Prenatal Care 2 Birt California United States California 2.6 3.6 10.5 2.9 3.7 10.4 3.1 3.9 10.4 3.6 3.9 10.6 3.7 3.9 10.4 3.8 4.0 10.3 4.6 4.2 10.3 4.9 4.4 10.2 5.0 4.8 10.2 5.3 5.2 10.0 6.3 5.8 10.0	Late or No Prenatal Care 2 Preterm Birth 3 California United States California United States 2.6 3.6 10.5 12.1 2.9 3.7 10.4 11.9 3.1 3.9 10.4 11.6 3.2 3.8 10.5 11.8 3.6 3.9 10.6 11.6 3.7 3.9 10.4 11.4 3.8 4.0 10.3 11.0 4.6 4.2 10.3 11.0 4.9 4.4 10.2 11.0 5.0 4.8 10.2 11.0 5.3 5.2 10.0 10.7 6.3 5.8 10.0 10.8	Late or No Prenatal Care 2 Preterm Birth 3 Cesal Birth 3 California United States California United States California 2.6 3.6 10.5 12.1 26.8 2.9 3.7 10.4 11.9 25.1 3.1 3.9 10.4 11.6 23.4 3.2 3.8 10.5 11.8 22.7 3.6 3.9 10.6 11.6 21.7 3.7 3.9 10.4 11.4 21.0 3.8 4.0 10.3 11.0 20.6 4.6 4.2 10.3 11.0 20.6 4.9 4.4 10.2 11.0 20.8 5.0 4.8 10.2 11.0 21.3 5.3 5.2 10.0 10.7 21.6 6.3 5.8 10.0 10.8 22.3	Late or No Prenatal Care 2 Preterm Birth 3 Cesarean Births California United States United States United California United States 2.6 3.6 10.5 12.1 26.8 26.1 2.9 3.7 10.4 11.9 25.1 24.4 3.1 3.9 10.4 11.6 23.4 22.9 3.2 3.8 10.5 11.8 22.7 22.0 3.6 3.9 10.6 11.6 21.7 21.2 3.7 3.9 10.4 11.4 21.0 20.8 3.8 4.0 10.3 11.0 20.6 20.7 4.6 4.2 10.3 11.0 20.6 20.8 4.9 4.4 10.2 11.0 20.8 21.2 5.0 4.8 10.2 11.0 21.3 21.8 5.3 5.2 10.0 10.7 21.6 22.3 6.3 5.8 10.0 10.8	Late or No Prenatal Care 2 Preterm Birth 3 Cesarean Births Lo Birthweet California United States California United States California California 2.6 3.6 10.5 12.1 26.8 26.1 6.4 2.9 3.7 10.4 11.9 25.1 24.4 6.3 3.1 3.9 10.4 11.6 23.4 22.9 6.2 3.2 3.8 10.5 11.8 22.7 22.0 6.1 3.6 3.9 10.6 11.6 21.7 21.2 6.2 3.7 3.9 10.4 11.4 21.0 20.8 6.1 3.8 4.0 10.3 11.0 20.6 20.7 6.1 4.6 4.2 10.3 11.0 20.6 20.8 6.1 4.9 4.4 10.2 11.0 20.8 21.2 6.2 5.0 4.8 10.2 11.0 21.3 21.8 6.0			

¹ Unmarried status in California was inferred prior to 1997. See Chapter 6.

² Third trimester or no prenatal care.

³ Birth prior to 37 completed weeks of gestation.

⁴ Birthweight of less than 2,500 grams (5.5 pounds).

[†] Births with unknown values were subtracted from total births prior to calculation of percentages. This represents a change in methodology from tables done prior to 2000, and provides more appropriate comparison data with U.S. percents.